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*Dahlias  
of Distinction  
1927*

Westfield Dahlia Gardens  
Westfield, N. J.

*Member of  
American Dahlia Society, Dahlia Society of California  
Dahlia Society of New Jersey, Dahlia  
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## *Special Information*

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Visitors Always Welcome To Our Gardens

Order early as orders are filled in rotation, ordering early will insure the reservation of varieties that may be sold out.

### *Terms:*

Cash or references required.

All tubers and plants are GUARANTEED true to name, and their arrival in good growing condition.

### *Time of Shipment*

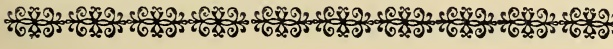
Tubers will be shipped after April 1st, earlier if requested. Plants will be shipped after May 15th to June 30th. All retail orders shipped prepaid.

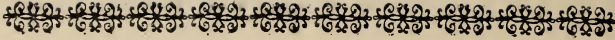
### *References:*

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 DAHLIAS are easily grown, requiring no special soil or treatment to bring them to perfection. They love an open, sunny situation, but also succeed in partial shade.

Prepare the soil thoroughly by digging 12 to 18 inches deep in the Fall, and then again in the Spring before planting.

If the soil is poor, work in some well-rotted manure in the Fall and apply artificial fertilizer in the Spring—100 pounds to 1000 square feet.

Dig holes 3 or even 4 feet apart and about 6 inches deep; drive a stout stake in each hole and lay the tuber down flat with the crown toward the stake and cover with 2 or 3 inches of soil, leaving the balance of the hole to be filled up later, after the plant comes up.

Plant any time between April 15th and June 15th, the latter date being the best for exhibition flowers.

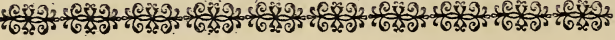
When the plants have made their third set of leaves, the top should be pinched out, to make them branch. Allow only one plant to each stake.

The most important thing from now on is hoeing and cultivating until the buds appear; this should be done at least every week and after every rain. After the buds appear the ground should be mulched with rotted manure if possible, and a thorough watering should be given whenever the plants require it.

Disbudding the side buds, leaving only the terminal bud to develop, will bring larger blossoms.

After the plants have been blackened with the first frost they should be carefully dug, allowed to dry for a few hours, and stored in a dry cellar or basement and covered with dry sand or soil to keep them from shriveling.

Divide the tubers in the Spring, after the eyes show plainly, being careful that each tuber has a piece of the crown attached with an eye, cover them again and keep dry and cool until planted.



# 1927 Catalog

*Key to Abbreviations: C., Cactus; D., Decorative; H.C., Hybrid Cactus; P., Peony.*

- AL KORAN, D.** Yellow, suffused with golden rod and amber. The petals of the flower are wavy, making it very attractive. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**
- ALEX WALDIE, D.** One of the most beautiful decorative dahlias, flowers large, held well above foliage on fine stems, coloring being unsurpassed, a creamy ground overlaid with a delicate salmon-pink. **Tubers \$1.00**
- AMBASSADOR, C.** The finest of all Cactus Dahlias. The color is a soft yellow buff shaded salmon pink; flowers of pleasing form and enormous size, the splendid flowers are held erect well above the foliage on the strongest stems ever seen on a Cactus Dahlia. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**
- AMUN RA, D.** Resembles the setting sun. Outer petals are of gorgeous shades of copper and orange, shading to gold and amber, deepening to a rich dark, reddish bronze at the center. **Plants \$.75; Tubers, \$1.50**
- ALTAMONT, D.** Rose pink, deepening to American Beauty rose toward the center of the flower. The flower is large, averaging eight inches and over in diameter, full decorative type, with long slightly curled petals, giving the individual blooms a very artistic finish. **Plants \$3.75; Tubers \$7.50**
- ATTRACTION, HC.** Flowers of large size, clear rosy lilac, strong stems and good bloomer, one of the very best cutting dahlias. **Tubers 75c**
- ADDA PATTERSON, HC.** One of the best white Hybrid Cactus Dahlias to date. The flowers are pure white, and average 8 to 9 inches in diameter. The plant is a beautiful grower, reaching a height of 7 feet. The large blooms are held well above the foliage on stiff stems that can be cut four to five feet in length. A splendid keeper, and equally good for exhibition and decorative purposes. An all around white dahlia that will win in the keenest competition. **Plants \$3.75; Tubers \$7.50**
- BLACK JACK, D.** The deepest maroon dahlia of any type. Color is so dark, it might almost be described as black. Flowers are very large and full, and carry the blossoms well above the leaves. Bushes grow tall and blossom generously. This most excellent 1924 introduction will be found an attractive addition in the garden, as well as on the exhibition table. **Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50**
- BALLET GIRL, C.** Flower is hard to describe. It is sometimes orange with a white edge and then again white shading to orange or white edged orange and at times pure orange. **Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.50**

**CALIFORNIA SUPURBLIA, D.** A beautiful pink flower. The stem is stiff and holds the blossom up straight. It produces masses of blooms. The petals are long and narrow and form a bloom of unusual depth.

Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00

**CHAMPAGNE, D.** A massive flower on upright, stiff stems. Coloring is rare—a dull golden varying to chamois.

Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00

**CLEOPATRA, P.** Yellow with reddish reverse, the largest of its type. Very free bloomer.

Tubers \$1.00

**CHARLES STRATTON, D.** A grand exhibition fluffy decorative, having been awarded sixteen prizes in State of New Jersey for size and artistic coloring. Color is pale gold, shaded and tipped with old rose. Profuse bloomer, straight stiff stems.

Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**COPPER KING, D.** A very remarkable exhibition decorative. Flower is composed of tubular petals of copper and yellow with a distinct reverse of light red, making an odd and attractive combination.

Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**DAKOTA, D.** Flame color, a good exhibition flower. Vigorous grower and fine stem.

Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00

**DADDY BUTLER, H.C.** The many petals are perfectly rolled. The color is of the American Beauty rose shades, or rosy carmine, reverse lighter tint. Stem perfect.

Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00

**EASTERN STAR, D.** This dahlia scored 87 exhibition and 88 commercial at the Dahlia Society trial grounds, 1924. Color is a soft saffron yellow with old gold shadings. Flowers of great substance and remarkable keeping qualities. Full centers and are held erect on strong stems. Excellent bush growth and free flowering.

Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**EMMA MARIE, H.C.** This is one of the best all-round varieties as an exhibition or as a cut flower. It is a fine combination of bright pink and white.

Plants, \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00

**ELEANOR VANDERVEER, D.** A dahlia of exquisite beauty and great size having every desirable quality. The large blooms are of a glowing, satiny, rose pink.

Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**ELITE GLORY, D.** This giant red, introduced last season, is still one of the most spectacular varieties we have. The flowers are immense in size and breadth of petal; in growth it is entirely distinct from any other variety, the whole plant being gigantic in size, yet only of moderate height. The foliage is leathery in texture and practically immune from the ravages of insects.

Plants \$5.00; Tubers \$10.00



**E. F. T. SMITH, H.C.** Creamy white, shading to a lemon tint in the center, producing blooms up to 10 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches in diameter without disbudding; it is a profuse bloomer, on strong stems. **Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.50**

**E. L. LINDSAY, D.** Scarlet and gold; the gorgeous coloring of the well-known Geisha, reproduced in an enormous decorative; color varies on different blooms, but the two colors are always in evidence. Fine for exhibition on account of its size and fine stems. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$1.50**

**ELIZA CLARK BULL, D.** This is one of the biggest and deepest flowers of its class. The form is perfect and the petals are just enough irregular to prevent it from being stiff. Color is a clear white. **Plants \$2.00; Tubers \$4.00**

**ELIZABETH BOSTON, P.** Enormous blooms are of deep crimson, shading to old gold at the tips, and will hold its color the entire season. The centre is surrounded with tiny, curly petals which make this introduction perfect of its type. Stems are exceedingly long and cane-like. Tall growing and very floriferous.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**

**EVA COLE, D.** Large exhibition flower of red and gold. A free bloomer with flowers borne on long stiff stems.

**Plants \$4.00; Tubers \$7.50**

**EVA WILLIAMS, D.** An exhibition decorative of amethyst color with slight silver shadings, very full center; stems upright and rigid, free bloomer

**Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50**

**EL DORADO, D.** Size, stem and color are of the best and these three characteristics interest a person most in a dahlia. A low-growing bush with immense golden blooms which stand up and look you in the face, and the depth corresponds to the size. It is of a vivid gold coloring which is emphasized by the deeper tones at the base of the petals.

**Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00**

**F. W. FELLOWS, C.** The blossom is huge and composed of long, narrow straight petals. The color is unusual, orange or terra cotta. The stem is long and straight.

**Tubers 75c**

**FAITH GARIBALDI, D.** Deep rose colored bloom of great depth as well as large size, on long strong stems, make this a decorative worth growing.

**Plants \$2.00; Tubers \$4.00**

**FRANCIS LOBDELL, H.C.** Mallow pink shading to white in center, heavy flower held erect on perfectly stiff stems.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**

**GEORGE WALTERS, H.C.** Salmon color with a golden sheen, profuse bloomer, perfect stems; a flower that should be in every garden.

**Tuber \$0.75**

- GLOREAUX, D.** This is a dahlia of great beauty on long, strong stems. Color is deep golden yellow deepening to gamboge bronze in the center, each petal usually tipped white. Flower is very full and deep and is a free bloomer. The foliage is as wonderful as the flower, being an olive green and very dense, forming a very graceful bush, quite attractive in the garden. **Tubers \$1.50**
- GLORY OF MONMOUTH, D.** Erosine pink, shading to strawberry pink at center of petals. Base of petals a light orange. The flowers are produced in great profusion on long, strong stems. **Plants \$3.75; Tubers \$7.50**
- GOLD MEDAL, S.** Dandelion yellow, tipped and suffused with red. **Tubers 50c**
- HARRY SHELDON, JR., D.** An extra fine exhibition flower, white center with outer row of petals a beautiful shell pink. It can be grown very large and is a profuse bloomer with flowers held erect on strong stems. **Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00**
- INSULINDE, D.** Colossal flowers of a rich golden orange color. One of the finest dahlias ever produced. **Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**
- JUNIOR, D.** An enormous flower of pure lavender. A useful dahlia in competition in the "Largest Dahlia Class". **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$1.50**
- JUDGE PARKER, D.** A wonderful exhibition variety, very large flowers on long stiff stems. Color golden buff. **Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.50**
- JUDGE MAREAN, D.** A glowing salmon pink with a touch of watermelon-red exquisitely blending to iridescent orange, yellow and pure gold. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$1.50**
- JERSEY'S BEAUTY, D.** The finest pink dahlia in existence, a real rose pink of excellent conformation and borne on a wonderful stem. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**
- JERSEY'S KING, D.** Begonia rose; large, broad-petaled flowers on splendid stems; a favorite with all who have grown it. **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**
- JERSEY'S EMPRESS, D.** Anthracene violet in color, the flowers of this variety have a very pleasing formation, having narrow and wavy petals, the flowers are large and of great depth, the stems are inclined to be somewhat fleshy, and is not recommended for the long stemmed classes, the color which is attractive is sunproof. **Plants \$5.00; Tubers \$10.00**
- JERSEY'S IDEAL, D.** The flowers are very large and of great depth. Best described as a lavender-pink in color, although it varies to Phlox pink. It is a vigorous grower, with large, leathery leaves, almost insect proof. The large flowers are produced very freely. Stock is still very limited. **Plants \$5.00; Tubers \$10.00**

**JERSEY'S BACON, D.** Chinese scarlet with a paler reverse, giving a two toned effect, very large flower, vigorous grower and has an excellent stem.

**Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00**

**JERSEY'S GEM, D.** Lavender pink. Strong stems and perfectly formed blooms make this a worth while dahlia.

**Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50**

**JERSEY'S JEWEL, D.** The color is a soft mallow pink; the flowers are large and long-petaled. The stems are perfect in every way. The foliage is inclined to be soft and should be kept sprayed to keep down the ravages of the leaf hopper.

**Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00**

**JERSEY'S SOVEREIGN, D.** A shade of color that few can describe. According to Ridgeway's chart it is a salmon-orange. A very vigorous grower with dark foliage which is very resistant to the ravages of the leaf hopper; a splendid cut flower and useful for basket work.

**Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00**

**JERSEY'S RADIANT, H.C.** An exceptionally appropriate name, a radiant dahlia of bitter sweet orange, produced on long stiff stems held well above the foliage. A fine exhibition variety.

**Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00**

**KING TUT, D.** An extra large blossom of rich, dark velvety, glowing, crimson burgundy, of fine formation and with closed centers throughout the season. The large, fine blossoms of great substance are held high above strong, medium tall bushes, on extra long stiff stems.

**Plants \$2.00; Tubers \$4.00**

**KITTY DUNLAP, D.** A very free flowering, finely formed dahlia of American Beauty rose. The stems are long and stiff. Excellent in every way.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**LADDIE, D.** Soft yellow shaded orange. The large flowers are produced in profusion and are always held erect on strong stems.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**LA GROSSE BETE, D.** A large flowered dark cerise with extra stout stems. Excellent exhibition type as well as for cutting.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**MARS. ELEANOR MARTIN, D.** A large, evenly petaled decorative of a shade which might be described as mulberry suffused with tan, each petal showing a violet stripe that adds a lot of charm to the unusual color scheme.

**Plants \$1.75; Tubers \$3.50**

**MRS. SHEEPERS, D.** A strong, vigorous grower and abundant bloomer. Upon opening, the flowers are of a clear golden primrose which gradually changes to a beautiful delicate shade of pink suffusion on the outer petals.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**MRS. I. de Ver WARNER, D.** Delightful color, of soft orchid or deep mauve. Stems are good. Bushes sturdy and produce flowers very freely.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**MRS. C. COOPER, C.** One of the finest Dahlias we have yet seen, flowers being of immense size, on good stems, and a free bloomer. Color is cream, the outer petals lightly suffused salmon.

**Tubers 50c**

**MRS. GEO. W. ELKINS, JR., D.** The flowers are very large (8 to 9 inches in diameter) and of perfect decorative type, always full to the center and held on good strong stems. The color is beautiful old gold, suffused salmon pink, with faint reflex of rosy pink.

**Tubers \$1.00**

**MRS. CARL SALBACH, D.** This lavender pink is a great favorite as a cut flower variety, as the flowers are produced in profusion on ideal stems.

**Tubers 75c**

**MISS CALIFORNIA, D., re-named SANTA BARBARA.** A large perfectly formed and very beautiful blossom of the new shade of Oriental Fuchsia. The plant is tall and robust, the stems perfect and exceptionally long so the large blooms are held proudly erect. An excellent flower for exhibition, cutting, or garden effect.

**Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00**

**MARGARET MASSON, D.** This silvery rose pink flower of great size and depth is held erect on fine upright stem and has excellent keeping qualities. A good exhibition variety.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$3.50**

**MABEL THATCHER, D.** Immense blooms of pure gold on long stems. Excellent habit and vigorous grower.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**MORDELLA, D.** A truly artistic dahlia of a beautiful bright shade of apricot buff. Flowers average 9 inches across and are held well above the foliage on extra long stems. Plants are free bloomers and vigorous growers.

**Plants \$1.75; Tubers \$3.50**

**MILLIONAIRE, D.** Most delicate lavender with a faint pink cast overshadowing it. An extremely valuable cut flower.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**MEPHISTOPHELES, D.** Huge flowers supported by unusually strong stems. The color is ruby-red showing infinitesimal golden-yellow points at the very ends of some petals. We have an exceptionally fine strain of this dahlia. It should be in every collection.

**Tubers \$1.00**

**MARMION, D.** The color is a pure golden yellow, with bronze suffusion on reverse of petals and a deeper bronzy tone on the high center, and outlining each petal. The stems are good, and hold the immense blooms gracefully above the sturdy plant.

**Plants \$5.00; Tubers \$10.00**



**MARIPOSA, H.C.** An immense flower of delicate pink shading deeper at the center. Blossoms abundantly all season. The stems are very long and stiff.

Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00

**NICHU, H.C.** An extremely large light sulphur yellow Hybrid Cactus of perfect formation. The flowers have fine, long, stiff stems and remarkable keeping qualities, lasting for days when cut. Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**PAUL MICHEL, D.** A pure gold colored decorative of immense size; have grown it 11½ inches in our own field; profuse bloomer; fine for exhibition. Won certificate of highest award in Dahlia Society of California Trial Gardens, 1921. Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00

**PAPILLION, D.** A large flower of a beautiful shade of old rose with golden lights resembling George Walters in type and size. An incessant bloomer with strong stems which carry the flower well. Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00

**PAUL REVERE, D.** Petals are a rich, bright, velvety-red and look as though faintly touched with black. Large in diameter and deep, wavy petals, excellent stem and growing habits. Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**POP STEWART, D.** Giant decorative, one of the finest Dahlias of its color in existence. The bloom when first opening is rosy pink which tones out at maturity to an exquisite lilac-pink. Plants \$2.00; Tubers \$4.00

**PRESIDENT WILSON, D.** Large flowers of the finest form, there is nothing in its class to compare with it in beauty. Color, a carmine red with tips of each petal white. Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50

**PIERROT, C.** A unique and striking variety, the color being amber, boldly tipped with pure white. Plants are of splendid habit and the flowers are very large. Tubers 50c

**ROBERT TREAT, D.** A clear red decorative, very alive in color and of most distinctive appearance. It is midway between cerise and American Beauty red. Beautifully formed flowers, good stems and a most pleasing color. Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50

**ROMAN EAGLE, D.** Large exhibition decorative of a flaming, brilliant, burnished copper color. Flowers held well above dark green foliage on strong stiff stems. Plants \$2.00; Tubers \$4.00

**RED ROVER, D.** Rich crimson-red; flowers are extra large, of broad flat petals held erect on finest possible stems. Tubers \$1.00

**RADIO, D.** A 1924 introduction that has made a sensation. A large and attractive decorative of red and yellow. Stem excellent and fine for exhibition. Plants \$2.50; Tubers \$5.00

**RED PLANET, D.** Very large flower carried on long stiff stems, petals extra broad, full deep exhibition type, profuse bloomer and exceptional keeper. Color clear cerise with a slight suffusion of yellow on edge of petals.

**Tubers \$1.00**

**ROSE FALLON, D.** The color is a dark orange, tinted with amber and salmon and is both pleasing and effective. This variety was one of the out-standing dahlias in our garden last season—with massive blooms standing well above a vigorous bush, on long, strong stems. Our stock is exceptionally fine, but limited.

**Plants \$5.00; Tubers \$10.00**

**ROOKWOOD, D.** A beauty of pure bright cerise rose, without the faintest touch of magenta. The flowers are immense with good depth and are held aloft on splendid straight stems.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**

**ROSE NELL, D.** A most beautiful and satisfactory dahlia producing its gigantic flowers on long stiff stems well above the foliage. Its color is rare among dahlias, a deep bright rose.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**ROLLO BOY, H.C.** A hybrid cactus of great size, with flowers held erect on strong stems. Color is a delicate shade of amber shading to old gold.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.50**

**SISKIYOU, H.C.** Pink, tinged mauve, one of the largest flowers ever originated; fine stem, vigorous grower.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.50**

**SNOWDRIFT, D.** One of the best white decoratives. A very deep bloom with broad waxen white petals.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**SHADOW'S LAVENDER, D.** The very large bloom is a silvery lavender slightly shading to white. The stem is perfect and holds erect the big blossoms.

**Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**

**SUSAN G. TEVIS, D.** This decorative has a distinctly new color tone, best described as a shade of lilac with a bluish sheen. The blossoms are regularly formed of narrow, flat, pointed petals.

**Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00**

**TRENTIONIAN, D.** A truly great flower is this big even petaled decorative. The color is that of an "Indian's Skin," a wonderful blending of old gold, amber and coppery bronze, the whole forming a flower of marvelous brilliancy with a central zone of bronze.

**Plants \$1.75; Tubers \$3.50**

**THE EMPEROR, D.** A maroon dahlia of the finest type, made up of long flat petals, color does not spot under any weather conditions and flowers of enormous size are borne on long stiff stems.

**Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**THE BANDIT.** A dazzling combination of mahogany-red and pure gold. Narrow petals that curl and twist showing the golden reverse; large flowers held perfectly erect on slender black stems.      **Plants \$3.75; Tubers \$7.50**

**UNCLE SAM, P.** Color orange buff at base of petals, shading to bittersweet pink at tips, all overlaid with a beautiful golden sheen. Center petals mustard yellow streaked with deep rose pink and beautifully curled and twisted. One of the largest flowers in existence.      **Tubers \$1.50**

**VALLEY FORGE.** Petunia violet. A very choice and much admired variety that is in great demand on account of its rare coloring and other good qualities.      **Plants 75c; Tubers \$1.00**

**VIOLETTA, H.C.** Petunia violet. A very choice and much admired variety that is in great demand on account of its rare coloring and other good qualities.      **Plants \$1.00; Tubers \$2.00**

**WORLD'S BEST WHITE, D.** Splendid large flowered white, fine stems, good grower and free bloomer.      **Plants \$1.50; Tubers \$3.00**

**WIZARD OF OZ, D.** One of the finest dahlias in existence, of a salmon rose color shading to amber towards the center. Robust grower with stout stems. Flowers resemble a huge water lily.      **Plants \$1.25; Tubers \$2.50**

**YELLOW CHRYSANTHEMUM, H.C.** Name describes the flower perfectly; large fluffy flowers with numerous petals which are slightly twisted, giving them an unusual and attractive appearance.      **Tubers \$1.00**

### **ASSORTMENT OF DAHLIAS**

For the beginner who is not familiar with the different Dahlias, we will make up an assortment of one dozen tubers, our selection, all named varieties and labelled true to name, for \$5.00; \$10.00; \$15.00 or \$20.00, delivered at your post office.

The Collection will be of good value, and at much less price than they would cost if you made the selection of varieties from our catalogue. Full Cultural Directions sent with each Order.

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